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## **Gartner-Blade Glass**

Est. 1995

Stephen Gartner, American, b. 1964

Danielle Blade, British, b. 1967

Gartner-Blade glass is the work of Stephen Gartner and Danielle Blade. Business partners since 1995, Danielle and Stephen combine their individual ideas, techniques, and experiences to create original works in hand blown and sculpted glass. They continue to develop an ongoing series of pieces that explores their interpretation of objects of ritual and worship. The inspiration for these pieces is rooted in nature and begins with their mutual fascination with the use of found objects in the rituals of primitive cultures. In these pieces, they hope to convey a reverence for, and an understanding of, the value of our natural resources.

Natural elements such as bone, antler, wood, vines, fossils and rock formations have inspired their signature designs which include covered vessels, chalices and sculptural amulets. Their work combines traditional hand blown techniques with innovative color application and original sculpting techniques.

Prior to opening their own studio, both Stephen and Danielle studied with prominent American and European glass artists. Both worked as glasshouse gaffers and glassblowing instructors.

Danielle Blade was born in 1967 on the Isle of Wight, England. Daughter of British glass artist Martin Evans, she moved to the United States in 1985. Danielle resides in the village of Ashley Falls MA.

Stephen Gartner was born 1964 in Phoenix AZ and grew up in southern United States and Europe. Stephen also resides in Ashley Falls MA.

## **Resume**

### **Exhibitions**

2017

Morven in May - Princeton, NJ May 6-7th

Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival - Reston, VA May 20-21st

Gallery Event at Zarks Fine Design Gallery - Eureka Springs, AR May 26-28th

Long's Park Art Festival - Lancaster, PA September 1-3

2016

One of a Kind Show - Chicago, IL December 1-4th

Charlotte Contemporary - Charlotte, NC October 14-16th

Highlands Fine Art Gallery (Solo Exhibition) - Highlands, NC. October 7-9th

25th Annual Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival - Reston Town Center, Virginia. May 21 & 22

American Fine Craft Show - Hartford, CT. April 8, 9 & 10

American Craft Council Show - Baltimore, Maryland - February 17-21

2015

Paradise City Arts Festival - October 10, 11 & 12 - Northampton, MA.

Grand Central Terminal Holiday Fair - November 16- December 24 - Grand Central Terminal, NY.

Visual Arts Center of Richmond - November 20th - 22nd - Science Museum- Richmond, VA.

Designers' Showcase - May 2 - June 14 - Mill Neck, Long Island

ACRE Philadelphia February 14th-16th

American Craft Council Shows Wholesale February 18th-19th. Retail February 20th-22nd

2014

Grand Central Terminal Holiday Fair November 17- December 24th